Echinodorus tenellus is known in our area only from Winchester and

Cambridge, Mass.

Alisma Plantago-aquatica, so far as known to us, occurs in Maine south, or only a little north of the 45th parallel of latitude, in New Hampshire, Vermont and northeastern Massachusetts, but not elsewhere in our area.

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Stipa spartea found in Pennsylvania.—On July 9, 1927, the writer found a small colony of *Stipa spartea* Trin. growing on a bank along the highway called the Lackawanna Trail, a short distance north of Dalton, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania. The colony consisted of, perhaps, twelve or fifteen well developed and very robust tufts. The culms were from three to four feet tall and bore mature seeds. From all appearances this grass has been on that spot for several years and has become well established.

The Lackawanna trail in that region follows the old road-bed of the D. L. & W. railroad and, no doubt, the seeds of this plant have

dropped from a passing freight train.

We were indeed very much astonished and thrilled to find this prairie species of grass in the State of Pennsylvania, from which, so far as we know, it has never before been reported.—E. M. Gress, State Botanist, Harrisburg, Penna.

A PLANT NEW TO MT. DESERT.—To the list of plants known from Mt. Desert Island may be added Bidens frondosa L., var. anomala Porter, which was collected by the writer at Bar Harbor, Maine, on August 5, 1927. It grew in the habitat usually preferred by this variety, on a cobblestone beach, a short distance above high tide level. The plant is rather common not a quarter of a mile from the steamboat landing, just below the sea-wall followed by the "Shore Walk."—N. C. Fassett, Madison, Wisconsin.

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